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1. In the event of an outbreak of war all Polish merchant vessels will immediately leave German harbors and harbors of the Atlantic Pact Powers and will go to Soviet or Polish territorial waters or put into Soviet or Polish harbors. With the outbreak of war the Polish merchant marine will be placed under the High Command of the Polish Navy which will assign merchant vessels to war duties according to their suitability.
2. There is only one shipping company in Poland, the Żegluga Polska, which emerged from the former Gdynia-America Line (GAL). Except for the steamer Goplo which is still in private hands, all Polish merchant vessels belong to the Żegluga Polska. All Polish merchant vessels and all foreign vessels calling at Polish harbors are supplied by the Baltica-Ship Purveying Corporation. *
3. The largest Polish shipyard is in Danzig (54°22'N/18°40'E). The following merchant ships were built there: the 1-go Maja (First of May) which was sold to the U.S.S.R., the Wincenty Pokrowski, the Brigada Makowskiego, the Soldek and the Jednosc Robotnicza. Repairs on Polish merchant vessels are also made in Gdynia (54°32'N/18°32'E). Minor ship repairs can be made in Stettin (53°26'N/14°35'E) at the shipyard opposite the island the Poles call Wyspa Okretowa. ** Only Polish war vessels are repaired in the naval harbor of Odenhoft near Gdynia.

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- * Comment. The statement that all of the Polish shipping companies were merged into the Żegluga Polska has not been confirmed. Officially the Polish merchant vessels still trade under the flag of their old and well-known shipping firms. On the other hand, it is well-known that certain shipping companies, for example, the Żegluga Polska S.A. (Polish Navigation Company Ltd.) and the Polsko-Brytyjskie Towarzystwo Okretowe S.A. (Polish-British Steamship Company Ltd.), were practically controlled by the GAL (Gdynia-America Shipping Lines Ltd.). The steamer Goplo was owned by the Partosiak shipping firm.

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- ** Comment. Probably the former Oderwerft (Oder shipyard).

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